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Sunday

READINGS

Psalm 19; Genesis 48:8-22; Romans 8:11-25; John 6:27-40

DEVOTION

Have you ever woke up and asked yourself, “I wonder what this day holds for me?” I am sure it is the desire of many, if not all, to gaze into the future and to be able to see how each day unfolds before it ever begins. The popularity of horoscopes is proof of the desire to avoid the pitfalls of life; to find happiness and peace. They peer into the future by way of the stars, to know exactly what to do and not do.

But the challenge of the future is not the events we go through but our relationship with our Heavenly Father. It is not the stars that determine our future but the God who holds the future. The real choice comes when our commitment to our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ is challenged.

In an effort to keep our holy relationship strong with God we need to pray as the Psalmist did in Psalm 19:12b-13: “Forgive my hidden faults. Keep your servant also from willful sins; may they not rule over me.” Our future is built on what goes on inside our hearts and in our minds. This determines the choices we make. To be right with God is to make right decisions regardless of the events of the day. “May the words of my mouth and the mediation of my heart be pleasing in your sight, O Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer” (Psalm 19:14).

Determine to renew your commitment, search your soul and make a difference for God’s sake, for your sake. So when your commitment to Christ is challenged you have already decided to obey Him. May your happiness and peace be real in knowing you are right, right with the Lord.

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